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1. FOLLOWING THE END OF THE LA CAUCUS SESSIONS FEB 3
ON THIS SUBJECT, DR. JORGE ALVAREZ GAVE THE PRESS HIS VIEWS
ON THE MEETINGS. HE SAID THAT WHILE IT WAS AGREED TO SUSPEND
THE MEETINGS IN VIEW OF THE ABSENCE OF THE US, THEY COULD BE
RENEWED WHEN THE DIALOGUE WAS REESTABLISHED.
"THERE IS NO SENSE IN TURNING OUR BACKS ON THE US, JUST AS
THERE IS NO SENSE IN THE US TURNING THEIR BACK IN LA. THEREFORE
WE SHALL CONTINUE OPEN TO DIALOGUE AND SHALL RENEW CONVERSATIONS,
ONCE IT IS REESTABLISHED WITH THE US, SINCE THER IS NO DOUBT
THAT THE NORTHERN COUNTRY HAS THE MOST ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES
AND THE BEST POSSIBILITIES TO TRANSFER SAME."

2. ANOTHER PAPER REPORTS DR. ALVAREZ SAID THE CAUCUS MEETING CLOSED
ON A CORDIALNOTE AND THAT, ON A GUATEMALAN INITIATIVE FULLY
ENDORSED BY URUGUAY, IT WAS DECIDED TO CONTINUE CONTACTS
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AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. "URUGUAY, AS EVER, IS OPEN TO DIALOGUE.

THE PRESENCE IN MONEVIDEO OF THE VARIOUS DELGATIONS SERVED TO EVIDENCE MANY COMMON POINTS WHICH WILL SURELY BE OF GREAT USE IN THE FUTURE, IF THE DIALOGUE IS RESUMED."

3. REGARDING THE ABSENCE OF THE US FROM THE WGSTT AND THE POSSIBILITY OF THE DELEGATIONS MAKING A JOINT DECLARATION ON THIS, DR. ALVAREZ IS REPORTED TO HAVE POINTED OUT THAT SUCH ACTION WAS IMPOSSIBLE SINCE THE VISITING DELEGATES WERE TECHNICIANS AND IN NOW WAY COULD THEY BE INVOLVED IN POLITICAL PRBLEMS. "THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ADOPTING A POSITION--HE SAID--CORRESPONDED TO URUGUAY AS HOST COUNTRY, AND SAME WAS CLEARLY STATED IN THE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE CHANCERY. APART FROM THIS, NO OTHER RESOLUTION HAS BEEN TAKEN."

4. DR. MAURY GURGEL VALENTE, CHAIRMAN OF THE BRAZILIAN DELEGATION, IS REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN PLEASED WITH THE HANDLING OF THE INFORMAL SESSIONS. HE SAID: "URUGUAY'S DECISION WAS CORRECT HAVING TAKEN STEPS, AS HOST CONTRY, TO SUSPEND THE MEETING IN VIEW OF THE ABSENCE OF ONE OF THE MAIN PARTICIPANTS." SIRACUSA

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